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Minutes of 128th Meeting held in J.I.S.P.B. on
Monday, 26 February 1945, at 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT

Col. George W. Bicknell, G-2, Chairman
Capt. Alexander Macomb, ONI
Major F. L. Battles, A-2
Capt. J. M. McCaskill, OGE
[REDACTED] OSS

ALSO PRESENT

Lt. Cdr. D. J. Clinton, Staff
Major H. H. Rasche, Staff
Lt. L. O. Quam, Staff
Lt. A. W. Van Rees, Staff
S/L R. D. Guest, ISTD Mission

SECRETARIAT

Capt. P.P. Sobo

Minutes of the 127th meeting were read by the Chairman, and approved as amended.

1. GENERAL

Major Battles reported on a conversation with A-2, FEAF, regarding JANIS 153 area. He brought out that three (3) air objective folders (1 complete and 2 in draft form) have been compiled by a large staff of experts, many of whom were former area residents. The objective folders in draft form can possibly be secured through the Director of Intelligence, [REDACTED]. He also brought out that [REDACTED] has made an extensive reconnaissance of that area; however, very little information is coming into Washington, D. C.

[REDACTED] reported that an unpublished monograph prepared by OSS for ONI which covers a part of JANIS 153 area is now on file in JISPB. It contains about 480 pages with charts.

Captain Macomb made a further report on reference material available for JANIS 153. Maps in the Library of Congress appear to be of little use. Many good references written in Dutch with an English summary are available in the Weather Bureau and Geological Survey libraries. The Coast & Geodetic Survey library has practically nothing that can be of use. Captain Macomb stated that he is compiling a bibliography which will contain the title of the publications, author, publisher, subject and area covered including a brief summary of the contents. He will continue to visit other libraries and then contact contributors.

The Chairman informed the conferees of a meeting with Col. Morgan of the AAF Arctic-Desert Branch. Col. Morgan is willing to assist in any way possible. However, in view of the excellent quality of JANIS, he did not feel that he

could offer much. Col. Morgan invites inquiries on any subject. It was brought out that much information is secured through personal interviews with returning servicemen.

Personnel vacancies in the G-2 and A-2 allotments in JISPB were discussed. Colonel Bicknell will endeavor to fill the G-2 vacancy and Major Rasche the A-2 vacancy.

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██████████ reported that his replacement, ██████████, had arrived and reported for duty. At the time of this meeting, ██████████ was with the ██████████ and therefore welcomed in absentia. VISITING

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2. EDITORIAL

Cdr. Clinton reported that Chapters I, III, IV & VI, JANIS 77, were incomplete. Percentage of completion: Chapter I - 60%; III - 50%; VI - 75%; a schedule for typesetting has been made.

IV-75%;

3. PRODUCTION

Lt. Van Rees reported that: advance copies of Chapters IV & V, JANIS 73, should be received on 28 February or 1 March. Page proofs on Chapter XIII received today. No date has been set for receipt of Chapters I & XIII. Chapters XIV will be delivered by Navy Processing Plant today, and Chapter XV should be ready on 2-3 March 45. Navy Processing Plant is very cooperative, however, the delay in completion of these chapters is due to processing of higher priority Navy jobs.

Insert material and presses are ready to produce JANIS 77. Temporary duty at the printer's plant will be necessary to save time.

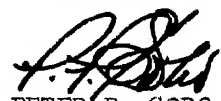
4. PLANNING

A meeting relative to "Map Appraisals" was held on 22 Feb 45. An agreement on the division of responsibility between AMS and OSS has been reached. A memorandum incorporating an SOP and Outline Guide was dispatched on 22 Feb 45. Captain McCaskill and ██████████ were consulted.

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Blue line maps for JANIS 156 & 70 have been set up.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.


PETER P. SOBO,
Captain, A.G.D.,
Deputy Secretary.